

Nevada Revised Statutes 281.455 created a State Ethics Commission, establishing a statewide code of ethical standards, and authorizing the establishment of specialized and local ethics codes for public officers and public employees; prohibited specified conflicts of interest, established disclosure requirements, and provided civil and criminal penalties for violations. Established in 1975 as the State Ethics Commission, it became the Nevada Commission on Ethics in 1985.

Public office is a public trust to be held for the sole benefit of the people. The Ethics Commission issues opinions interpreting the code of ethical standards as a guide for the conduct of public officers and employees. It also publishes hypothetical opinions abstracted from advisory opinions. It requires each public officer to file a financial disclosure statement during April of each year.

Records Description	Dates: 1972-1984	Volume: 1.3 c.f.
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Minutes, correspondence, appointment papers, and files of legal proceedings against the commission.

Financial Disclosure Statements	1978-1982	.7 c.f.
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NRS 281.541 requires each public officer to file a financial disclosure statement on or before March 31 of each year. The files in this series are arranged in alphabetical order.

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Section 18 of the NRS states that it is the function of the Commission to render advisory opinions interpreting the code of ethical standards, as well as to publish hypothetical opinions abstracted from the advisory opinions. The 15 microfilm reels in this series are confidential.